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## Weekend Weather

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## Fallen students' memory lives on through friends

BY Jessica Murphy

Several students at GCSU are doing whatever they can to help keep the memory alive of their friends who passed away last year. Tommy Canavan, 19, a Chemistry major at GCSU, was killed July 8 in Dalton. Evan Luke, a 20-year-old management major at GCSU, was killed Oct. 31, 2005.

Casey Carter, a sophomore at GCSU and a close friend of Canavan, has experienced ongoing support from the Milledgeville area.

"The support from just people at Georgia College has been amazing," Carter says.

Friends of Canavan and Luke have found different ways to help them deal with the pain of losing a dear friend.

Casey Carter has taken advantage of the

Counseling Center services provided by the GCSU campus. Carter meets regularly with a support group to talk about what has happened.

"The counseling services have been a huge help. The support group has been a beneficial part of the healing process," says Carter. "As a group, we are so much closer now."

Facebook is another outlet for many who are still mourning the loss of their friends. Luke's and Canavan's Facebook walls have been covered with comments from friends and classmates since their deaths.

Travis Kelly, a member of Kappa Sigma at GCSU was in the same fraternity as Luke. He recently posted:

"What's up brother,

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## Students protest violence with vigils

BY Daniel Troutman

"Who would Jesus Bomb?"

"Cost of the War in Iraq: \$316,536,300,000."

Determined GCSU students waved these signs last Friday afternoon for a peace vigil called "Peace in Middle Georgia and the World."

The vigil was an idea

that Faire Holliday, a junior studio art major, got from activities held in Macon. "I was sort of raised going to these peace vigils all the time," she said. "Macon actually has a group...and I found that out when I got back from Greece this summer. I was only able to go to one or

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## Bus schedule stumps students

BY Corey Dickstein

The shuttle system at GCSU has caused some confusion among students during the first couple weeks of this school year.

"We understand there are frustrations (among students)," said Greg Brown, manager of Parking and Transportation. "But I think we've got it working pretty well now that we've gone through the baby steps."

The changes have come as a byproduct of the parking face-lift implemented by GCSU this fall.

"The new parking plan forced freshmen to perimeter lots," Brown said. "We had to adjust the routes to get people to the Irwin Street lot."

Students have found some difficulty in this transition but Brown said there should not be many more changes.

Cole Lewis, a sophomore business major, said he rides the shuttle to class because it is hard to find parking on campus.

"I park at Bobcat and catch the shuttle," he said. "The thing is that I don't really know when the shuttle will come, so I get there a half-hour early."

The Bobcat Shuttle runs regularly Monday through Friday from 7:15 a.m. to 5 p.m., picking students up every 10 minutes and every 30 minutes after 5 p.m. The shuttle begins running every 30 minutes at 10 a.m. on weekends.

The campus shuttle departs from the Centennial Center every 10 minutes, Monday through Friday, from 7:15 a.m. to 5 p.m.

During normal operating hours six shuttles are run. However, after 5 on weekdays and on weekends, only one shuttle is used because of the much small-

er number of students utilizing them.

"It costs money to run these shuttles," Brown said. "The numbers don't justify running more than one shuttle during the less busy times."

Sophomore Katie Daniel, an education major, said she uses the shuttle a great deal.

"The problem is that it takes such weird routes," she said.

Brown said these new routes are to provide shuttle service to everyone.

"What about students at Bobcat who have classes at the Depot or at the dorms?" he asks. "Our job is to provide transportation to the masses. It's not a personalized taxi service."

Another complaint among students is that it is overcrowded during peak hours.

Katie Walts, a sophomore health science major, said that she uses it even though it could be less full.

"They need to get more shuttles on campus," she said.

Brown said that getting more shuttles has not been ruled out.

"It's something we've already been looking into.

These buses are expensive, but student's requests are taken seriously and go to administration," he said.

Brown added that processes such as this take time and that the best thing students can do to get it done is to go through the Student Government Association.

Some students do not understand the complaints of their peers.

Chantall Robertson, a junior nursing major, said she thinks the shuttles are run efficiently.

"I just like that I don't have to drive to class so I don't have to bother with looking for parking and I save money on gas," she said. "I really can't complain about it."

Brown said that all the confusion among students stemmed from some misinformation printed in the brochures.

"It wasn't specific about what happens after 5," he said. "New information is being printed up, but the best way students can stay informed about any changes in the shuttle schedule is through our website, [www.gcsu.edu/parking](http://www.gcsu.edu/parking)."



Photo by Leigh Allen  
The GCSU Bobcat Shuttle waits outside MSU to take students back to Bobcat Village.



Photo by Leigh Allen  
Sophomore Daniel Smith eagerly awaits the return of Sunday brunch at Sodexho. At the moment, Sunday brunch is served like a normal Sodexho meal.

## Brunch:

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shame that they haven't been having Sunday brunch because the upperclassmen have been telling the freshmen all about Sunday brunch; then, they come in and it's just like every other meal of the week."

Johnson said Sunday brunch is her favorite meal of the week. She said she also likes it because students are not the only ones who come.

"People from the community would come in. It made it more of a community event instead of just school-wide."

Kayla Peavy, a sophomore fine arts major and a Resident Assistant for Napier Hall, said that she missed Sunday brunch as well.

"That's kind of a bummer because that's the best thing they served."

Peavy said she liked

Sunday brunch because it allowed her to stay up late and sleep late but also get a good breakfast.

"We like to hang out [at Sodexho] all day with friends and compare stories from the night before," she said.

Peavy said her favorite menu item was the macaroni and cheese with a side of bacon.

"I love Sunday brunch because you can get a plate for lunch and a plate for breakfast," she said.

Despite fears that Sunday brunch was doomed to end, it will recommence this Sunday. Sodexho Head Chef Louis Piazzick said that once it resumes, Sunday brunch will be the same as always, with a few exceptions.

Among the menu entrees will be the favorite fried chicken, various carved meats, vegetables, and the usual breakfast items. The only difference will be that the entrees could possibly be rotated out on a weekly

basis.

"We're playing with ideas," Piazzick said. "It's nice, but repetitive."

Piazzick also said that Sodexho welcomes menu suggestions. By simply filling out a comment card located in Sodexho, students can make their opinions known.

Emmanuel Little, a mass communication major, is a regular at Sodexho. He ate Sunday brunch the past two weeks, but was not entirely satisfied.

"It's ok," he said. "Normally it tastes decent. I don't think they've gotten into full swing."

Little said his favorite Sunday brunch menu items include scrambled eggs, bacon, hash browns and biscuits.

"Everything tastes better during brunch," he said.

He said he did not mind waiting until Sept. 10 to get a better brunch. "As long as they have brunch, that's cool with me," he said.

Leland said, "We do a lot of things well, what is it that will get folks to say, 'they do that better than anyone else'?"

Leland said there is a key to having the GCSU experience. "We want to start with areas where we are already doing a good job. We want to see how we can vamp it up and really do an exemplary job."

"Students go to universities not just for a major, one reason is characteristics of the learning environment," Leland said. And she is absolutely right.

Explaining why he chose GCSU, Branson said, "It's a big name school in my opinion, it also still had a small classroom environment."

Bailey said what caught his attention was the looks of the place. "I have lots of friends here so I took a visit to the school. (Front campus) really impressed me."

Leland's attempt to be completely open with students is admirable in the eyes of most.

Students agree that it is important their voices are heard. Branson said, "If you don't do what the students want, then colleges aren't really doing their job."

Sears said, "If students want their voice to be heard, they should have the chance." That is the exact view and intention Leland has for the monthly gatherings.

This school year, there will be two luncheons each month. One for students and one for faculty and staff. The next student Lunch with Leland will be Oct. 25.

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## Coping:



Canavan

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another fall semester is starting, wish you were here to share it with all of us. No new fall will be the same without you, but we all know you are with us in spirit. Love ya brother A.E.K.D.B."

Carrie Dagenhard, a mass communication major at GCSU and a friend of Canavan, sees Facebook as just another way to help in the healing process.

"Death is difficult to deal with but Facebook helps because I am able to write to Tommy and update him on what's going on in our lives and that makes me feel better," says Dagenhard.

Facebook walls of other students who have passed away are similar to Luke's and Canavan's. Allan Duncan, a GCSU student who died in January, has had friends leave him comments on his Facebook wall as well. The

most recent post was written by Kenny Carden, a GCSU student and Duncan's friend since high school.

He writes, "So your (picture) keeps poppin' up on my gcsu friend list, I think this is the third time this week, I really still can't grasp what has happened."

Johny Ricks, president of the GCSU chapter of Kappa Sigma, says Luke's death, although a tragedy, has brought the brothers of Kappa Sigma together.

"Evan's death has helped us to grow closer as a fraternity and as friends," says Ricks.

Kappa Sigma has a My Brothers Keeper program that helps deal with tragic events along with other important issues.

"We have an alumni who is in charge of My Brothers Keeper program. The program is one that brings brothers together when tragic events occur as well as help

deal with alcohol awareness, drug prevention and other things," says Ricks. "Brothers of Kappa Sigma were able to get together with him to talk about what happened."

Kappa Sigma has been working hard to get a benefit concert put together in honor of Evan Luke. The concert is tentatively planned for this semester. All proceeds from this event will go to the Evan Luke Scholarship and each year the scholarship will be given to a deserving member of Kappa Sigma.

"Kappa Sigma is hoping to at least raise \$500 to \$1,000 for the scholarship," Ricks said. "The brothers are really looking forward to this event and we are hoping that each year the scholarship continues to grow."

Carter and other friends of Canavan are in the process of putting together a concert in memory

of their friend. T-shirts are also being made that will help keep Canavan's memory alive.

"We want to do something personal because anyone who knew Tommy knows how awesome he was," says Carter.

There is a scholarship that is in memory of Canavan as well. All proceeds will go to the New Creation Center, which is a home-school-based private school. Canavan attended the center before enrolling at GCSU last fall.

If you would like to donate money to the scholarship fund that is in memory of Thomas "Tommy" Dexter Canavan contact the McIntosh State Bank in Jackson.

Evan Luke and Tommy Canavan are no longer with us but they are remembered by their friends and fellow classmates here at GCSU.



Sophomore Melissa Marshall campaigns for peace with the GCSU chapter of the "Peace in Middle Georgia and the World" organization. The group has chapters throughout the south, with an active chapter in Macon.

## Protest:

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two before I came here and I said, 'Well, why don't I start one here?'"

In her opinion and that of other peace vigil participants, Milledgeville needs it.

"Milledgeville doesn't really act like a college town. It doesn't have that politically active side to it...so I kind of wanted to spark something [here]," Holliday said.

In order to create that spark, Holliday got help. She took the idea to her friends and even her professors. "Everybody seems overjoyed, really," she said. "Everybody's just...trying to help in any way they can, especially the professors. They're all really excited."

Holliday's friend, Kari Waters, a junior English

major, displayed her excitement about the vigils. "Who wouldn't be for peace? It's awesome," she said.

"It feels like you're making a difference and making a commotion," said Beth Lanier, a sophomore psychology and political science major.

And a commotion is how some passers-by see it. There are people who disagree with the students' opinions and they make sure to show it. "One person 'shot the bird' at us, and a group of students walked behind us and were muttering things under their breath, saying like 'Good luck with that,' being sarcastic," said Holliday.

Those reactions don't compare to past behavior in Macon.

"In Macon we had people rolling down their car windows and screaming

terrible insults," Holliday added.

Yet, many onlookers supported the protesters' actions.

"...Anytime that somebody honked...it was very reaffirming to know there were other people in the town that agreed with you," Holliday said.

"I guess the message is getting across," said Jose Guerra, a junior environmental science major. "There are people out there that don't want the war [in Iraq], [and those] that don't stand for it."

The message certainly got across last Friday afternoon. During the peace vigil a member of the Army walked up to the vigil participants and forcefully challenged their opinions concerning the war in Iraq.

The huge difference in opinions and the confrontation that occurred hurt Holliday even as the other

student participants wrapped up their vigil.

"I just don't see how they [those for the war] can [believe] so strongly in what they're saying while we [believe] so strongly in what we're saying. I can't fathom the fact that they could ever be right, but I can see he can't fathom us ever being right either. It just really breaks my heart. How can you bridge this?"

That's a good question.

Holliday is not unlike many other students on the GCSU campus. However, she has found something worth "fighting" for, and that is peace.

"Even if it doesn't go anywhere, even if it's just a group of some students holding signs on a corner, even if it doesn't change anyone's mind, at least we tried. At least I got out there and got 12 people to stand on a corner one day."

## Fines:

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for the city to milk the students for more money," he said.

Lambert is not the only student who thinks the cost of the consequences seems

too high. Mark Poole, 22, a senior international business major, said this about the underage drinking fines, "Honestly, I think it's a little overkill. I don't think the payment fits the crime."

As one can conclude, many more students agree that the new consequences

are too harsh. However, the court made these new consequences in order to show that they do not take the issue of underage drinking lightly. Undoubtedly, Judge McRee and the court hope to lower underage drinking incidents with these new rules set in place.

For more information

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## OUR VOICE

### Five years ago Monday, a nation lost an icon but gained perspective

On September 11, 2001, two hijacked airplanes struck the World Trade Center. Another struck the Pentagon. A fourth crashed into a field in Pennsylvania. Within five hours, 2,973 people were dead.

All of these men and women deserve to have their stories told. Space, however, does not permit that in a college newspaper. This column of remembrance barely has room for four hundred words. That's roughly one word for every seven or eight people.

If you count every word on the entire page, it is about one word per person.

Three thousand Americans.

One word each.

Five years ago, America was brought to a halt, and we watched as our nation was attacked. We watched our families, friends and neighbors perish in acts of violence. We felt remorse for people we had never met, and for their families, who we had also never met.

We attempted to identify, as best we could, with their grief and pain.

We go about our business on September 11, but in the backs of our minds, we all remember what this day cost us.

Five years ago, the media converged on New York City and Washington D.C. We talked about who was to blame, and who had been lost. We spoke to the families of the dead, and the families of the fortunate survivors.

Through the media, broadcast, online and print, America and the world saw this tragedy unfold.

Through the media, America rallied to ensure that such things would never happen again.

Five years later, with the initial shock worn off, and the mindset of the nation substantially different, what can the media do?

There is little new to report. All that can be done is remind America what has happened, and remember those who were lost.

The media could encourage Americans to remember their fallen comrades. We can encourage you to fly the Stars and Stripes, to sing a patriotic hymn or to offer a prayer up to the deceased.

We can ask you to remember. Where were you on September 11, 2001? What did you feel? Who were you with?

We all remember well where we were.

We were in classes. Some in English, some in a computer course. One of us was taking sex ed.

We were reading books, and we were taking tests. Until 8:45 a.m. that morning, it was a normal day.

Five years ago, most of the current members of The Colonnade staff had never met each other. Five years ago, we would not have known the others existed. On September 11, 2001, we were all in different places, doing different things.

Five years later, we spend every Wednesday night together, combining our efforts and talents to put together the campus newspaper. We've formed our own little family.

We became aware of each other in 2006. We have placed names to faces and etched each other into our memories.

Five years ago, we became aware of 2,973 people, that we had not known existed.

And on September 11, five years later, we still remember them.

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## Bush convinced of his own lies



BY Joe Weissman  
Columnist

There's a problem in our country today.

Corrupt senators and lobbyists are being indicted for selling their legislative influence for gifts and favors. This administration has entangled us in an intractable and irresponsible war. In their own way, both the bungled response to Katrina and the unsettling findings of the 9/11 Commission's report attest to the president's wanton indulgence and lack of accountability.

By his aggressive assertion of America's dominance, Bush endangers

America's good name and damages her credibility within the global community. Blinded by self-righteousness, our dear leader has actually convinced himself Iraqi citizens will willingly embrace American-style democracy with open arms. The details of the war must be fatiguing to the invincible self-confidence of our president: the failed missions, the shameful torture of political prisoners, the deliberate murder of Iraqi civilians, the escalating casualty counts — yet, he still maintains his hypocritical faith in his misguided ambition of violently establishing a "New Middle East."

We should not expect our leaders to be supreme or infallible, but neither should we believe it. The war is illegitimate, denounced by the U.N. and sold to the American people under false pretenses. In

a March 2006 Zogby poll, 72 percent of US troops in Iraq said the military should withdraw within a

year. In addition, the president and members of his administration broke the law and lied to the American people! District Court Judge Anna Diggs Taylor issued a ruling that the warrantless wiretapping of American citizens conducted in secret by our dear leader are illegal. To wit, "[t]he wiretapping program here in litigation has undisputedly been continued for at least five years, it has undisputedly been implemented without regard to FISA and of course the more stringent standards of Title III, and obviously in violation of the Fourth Amendment." (FISA is a program implemented back in 1994 which enabled secret warrants for the wiretapping of suspected political criminals and was greatly expanded as a result of the Patriot Act.)

The president operates without transparency or reliability. The only master this administration serves is itself: their ideology does not seek a higher truth, their rhetoric and M-1

Abrams do not encourage peace, their greedy hearts do not truly care for the human community. Bush is a C.E.O. president who conceals his acute incompetence behind an authoritarian personality, falsehoods and a Texan drawl. Our present leaders are out of touch with the needs and hopes of average Americans. They are underserving of our support, our consent or their authority.

Ladies and gentlemen, our democracy is in trouble. We must criticize and point out errors in the patriotic service of justice and America's future. We're in need now more than ever of good people who have hope for the future to get involved, to help organize, to resist. We can conquer the paralysis of hate and fear with the revitalizing power and indomitable courage of a positive vision of humanity.

Speak for yourself—while there's still time!

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## The big bang won't pay the bills



BY Will Thompson  
Columnist

Last week, I was asked by the director of the Coverdell Institute and the dean of the political science department to be a member of a board of four who would help with presenting questions to candidate John Barrow and incumbent Max Burns during their political debate over the 12th District seat in the U.S. House of Representatives. To me, this was a great honor to be thought of for the position, as well as a delight to be able to be involved in such a big debate. During the

debate, I fielded a question out of the audience and presented it to both men for debate. The question was one that seems to be a hot one during all Southern elections, that of whether the candidate supports or is against teaching creationism in our public school systems.

Not to my surprise, both men answered that they did, in fact, support teaching creationism in our public schools. Personally, I have no problem telling you all that I was sorely disappointed.

Whether or not I was disappointed in both candidates' answers is irrelevant though. In truth, anyone who has any idea about Southern politics will tell you that both candidates were going to say they supported it. To say they did not would have been political suicide for either opponent in the race. No, to be honest with you, I was more disappointed that that one question stays hot on people's minds, while more

pressing issues are surrounding us in every day life.

America is entering an era never before encountered. We are seeing the emergence of the Information Age, Globalization, high deficits due to government spending and the problems of Social Security. By the time we get ready to retire, we will have paid huge sums of money for retirement support, even though we will not get it. Most likely, we will have also had to pay higher taxes to support those still receiving it, as well as having to deal with inflation. So what is our answer? Well, right now it is credit cards and loans.

The new generation, my generation, has no idea about financial independence. Ask someone at this school what a Roth IRA is, and they laugh. Ask to see their credit card, and they will pull out two. So what does this matter? Well, our parents and grandparents got where

they are through hard work and corporate retirement plans. That era is over. We have entered into a time that lacks retirement and job security, and we haven't even realized it. What we consider middle class is slowly disappearing.

From this point on, Americans are going to have to plan and take care of themselves as they get older. So shouldn't the government at least teach us how to do it?

Financial education is becoming a necessity, not just a trait of the rich. If we don't realize this now, our future is going to be mired in credit card debts and bad savings habits. Instead of politicians touting their belief in teaching creationism, they should show support for teaching financial independence.

Creationism won't pay the rent, but proper investments will.

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## Republican Party: the party of freedom in America



BY Andrew Adams  
Columnist

Last week there was an editorial declaring that the greatest threat to freedom and democracy in America was the Republican Party. Though the editorial never gave any specific examples for us to see that (aside from the classic liberal argument that Republicans are ignorant and corrupt Bush-puppets who "cynically profit from fear.") In

this article, I will provide many reasons for you to believe republicans are the party of freedom more than the democrats.

One age-old issue of Republican policy is to cut taxes. This is an issue that Democrats almost always disagree with. Republicans believe your money is your property, and since you worked so hard to earn it, you should be able to keep as much of it as possible.

Democrats, however, believe that the government knows the best way to spend your money; not you.

Additionally, the conservative (republican) Supreme Court Justices like Antonin Scalia, Clarence Thomas, and the late William Rehnquist voted in the Kelo Decision that government shouldn't use eminent domain to steal individual

land to build a Wal-Mart. The liberal (democrat) Supreme Court Justices like Stephen Breyer, Ruth Bader Ginsberg, and John Paul Stevens all voted in favor of that horrendous use of eminent domain.

The Republican Party holds steady to supporting property rights for all Americans, and unlike

Democrats, will stand up to big-business, like Wal-Mart, to hold individual freedom above all else.

Democrats love to criticize republicans for not viewing the Constitution as a living document as much as the democrats do.

republicans, in general, support second amendment freedoms, which allows for non-felon, adult citizens to bear arms. Democrats have fought for decades to limit this freedom with

gun-control laws, and many have even sought this freedom's destruction.

Apparently, in a democrat's world, the only people that will have guns will be police and criminals. Remember the old cliché, "If guns are outlawed then only outlaws will have guns." How can democrats claim to support freedom when they are at war with

the Bill of Rights? The only times republicans are against freedom are when their values lead them to see an issue as life or death such as the Patriot Act or abortion. And even these issues are debatable because some view the Patriot Act as a safeguard of freedom for all Americans and abortion restrictions as protecting the freedoms of the unborn.

However, there are flaws with the current republicans in Washington.

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Despite recent crime  
Milledgeville still safe

Dear Editor,

The quiet country town isn't what it's crack up to be anymore.

The holiday weekend came to a tragic close as the serenity of the town we all call home was shattered.

Between Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning two people were slain in a couple of weird locations, giving the Milledgeville Police Department an interesting start to the new week. The first incident was a murder/suicide at the Lowe's Home Improvement store on North Columbia Street. If that wasn't enough, at 6 a.m. Tuesday morning a man was found dead, with a bullet wound in his neck,

on Highland Avenue.

There are 19,000 people in this city. Everyday people wake up and go about their regular lives without any thought of harming anyone else. But what frame of mind does someone have to be in to want to kill someone in cold blood, in a highly populated public place? The more important question, however, is there anyone else out there like that and am I safe?

It's funny how people die every single day, but we never take the time to think about it until it happens somewhere we might be. I was in the Lowe's last Friday. I bought a water hose and some insecticide, but never did I think someone would shoot me.

How can we worry about terrorists overseas when we can't control the maniacs over here? If school wasn't enough, now I have to worry about being shot.

I've never taken the time to ponder how safe I am while walking around town. I've heard of people getting killed in Milledgeville before, and Milledgeville has gotten some bad press lately. Personally, I feel safe, but I'll be sure to be more aware of my surroundings from now on. I like it here.

As of right now, I wouldn't live anywhere else.

Kyle Dominy  
Assistant News Editor

McGuire's recital not  
just 'banging' on guitar

Dear Editor,

The author of the article "Recital takes listeners on a journey" referred to Josh McGuire's performance as "[consisting] of various types of banging, scratching, thumping and other behaviors that would get most people thrown out of their local guitar store." This is an uninformed

statement made by someone who neglected to even talk to Mr. McGuire about his piece.

This piece, Alberto Ginastera's Sonata for Guitar, is a 20th-century work that uses modern, extended guitar techniques. These techniques are percussive, yes, but are certainly not "banging." They require months of dedicat-

ed practice and would NOT get one thrown out of his/her "local guitar store." Mr. McGuire's work needs to be appreciated, not shrugged off in a carelessly written review.

Jennifer McGuire  
Staff Accompanist  
Porter Hall

Current columnists are  
well informed on issues

Dear Editor,

I am a new freshman here at GCSU and I love the fact that there is an "official student newspaper of Georgia College & State University".

That's so awesome. I was also surprised to see that the columnists seem to be really well informed.

The article by Andrew Adams in the Sept. 1 issue was both insightful and interesting. I never think about the price of milk, I just buy it. Now I'm starting to wonder why it costs more per gallon than gasoline.

However, the article by Joe Weissman, "Republicans a growing

threat to democracy", was a little offensive. I'm a flaming republican. But again, it was well-informed, so I respect that article anyway.

Well, keep up the good work everybody and thank you for your services.

Jessica Noelle McIntyre  
Freshman  
Parkhurst Hall

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## The Bobcat Beat

"How do you feel about the shuttle system?"



"I don't ride the shuttle much because the time it takes to ride the shuttle is about the same as it is to walk."

**Josh Corbett**  
Freshman  
Physiology



"I don't ride them because I don't trust them. I am afraid they might not take me to the place I need to go to. They are also usually full."

**Caitlin Cook**  
Freshman  
Undecided



"I like it a lot because in the morning I'm too tired to walk all the way to Herty."

**Sonya Anderson**  
Freshman  
Exercise Science



"I love the shuttles and the shuttle drivers, but they should come more often because there wouldn't be as many people on each shuttle."

**Heather Williams**  
Senior  
Psychology

## THE LITTER BOX

ColonnadeVent - Instant Message

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Whoever ruined the ADPi lock-in should have his own holiday.

Glad to see we only missed one week of The Colonnade. What was going on there?

Well, I'm off to go stalk my friend's social lives. To Facebook!

So if you guys brag about how you "put out every Friday", at least get some newspapers to Saga so I can read something!

The Grove is liberal! That's why they only show CNN!

Photoshop sucks!

I'm going to the bathroom. But you already knew that, cause you saw it on Facebook.

Some jerk photographer was taking pictures of my dead brother today, being eaten by a giant raptor! What's up with that? Like anyone's gonna print that! XOXO - The Squirrel

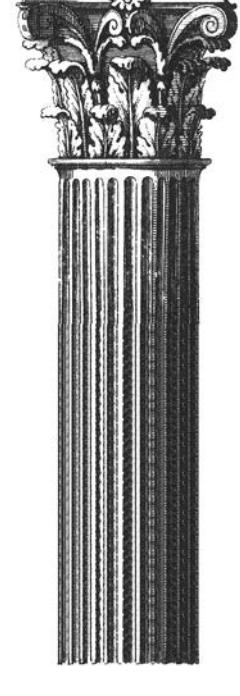
It amuses me how some people can completely butcher the english language.

Dear Freshmen: The little flashy man means walk. The little flashy hand means stop. Walk parallel to the red light, not through it. Next time, I'll hit you. And leave. And plead temporary insanity.

All your base are belong to us!

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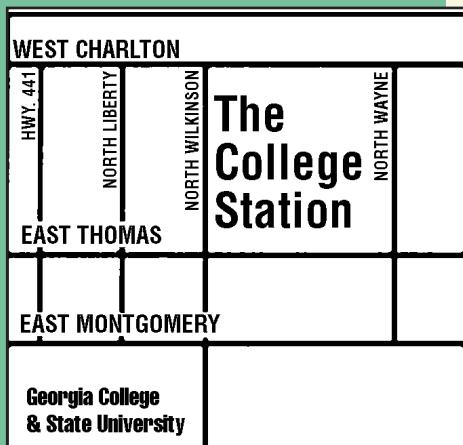
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## What's Happening? September 8 - September 14

### Friday, September 8

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Art Exhibit: Researched- Michael Marks, The Museum at GCSU on 221 N. Clarke St.  
2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Fall Staff Meeting, A&S Auditorium

### Saturday, September 9

1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Auditions for The Nutcracker, Miller Dance Studio

### Sunday, September 10

### Monday, September 11

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Art Exhibit: Researched- Michael Marks, The Museum at GCSU on 221 N. Clarke St.  
12 p.m. Tri Beta Interest Meeting (Honor's Biological Society-- Free Pizza) Herty Room 250  
8 p.m. Federation of Christian Athletes (FCA), Pine Lounge in Student Activities Center

### Tuesday, September 12

8 p.m. BCM Synergy, Magnolia Room  
9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Art Exhibit: Researched- Michael Marks, The Museum at GCSU on 221 N. Clarke St.

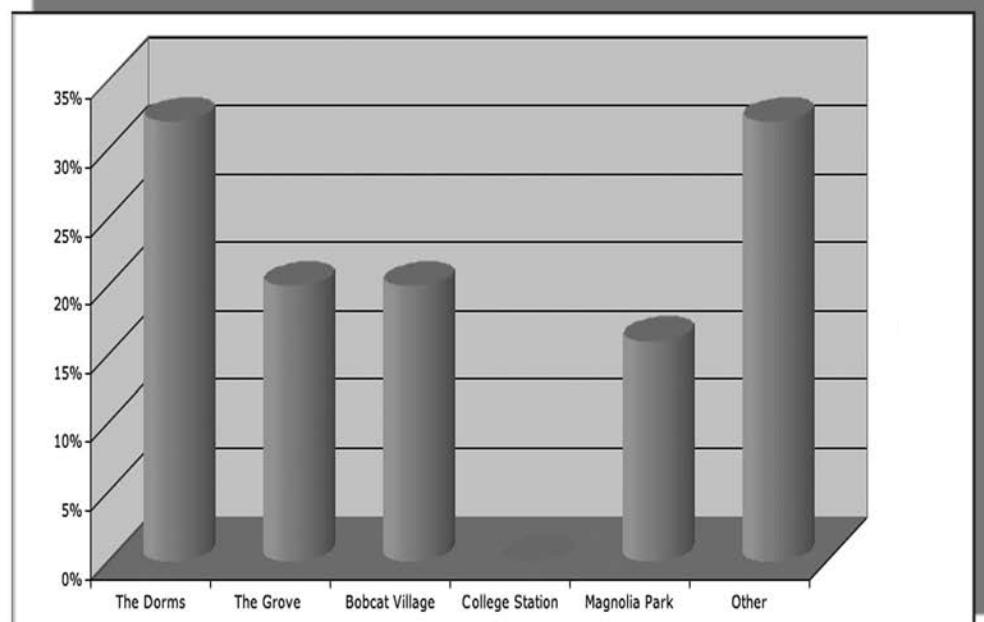
### Wednesday, September 13

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Art Exhibit: Researched- Michael Marks, The Museum at GCSU on 221 N. Clarke St.  
10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Career Center Wonderful Wednesdays: Interviewing/Skills ID, 232 Lanier Hall  
12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. CTEL Workshop, 115 Beeson Hall  
5 p.m. SIFE Meeting, Atkinson Hall 208  
6 - 8 p.m. Venture Out!: Kayak Roll Clinic, Bobcat Village Pool  
7 p.m. Congress to Campus: The Honorable Dan Miller (R-FL) and Jim Lloyd (D-CA), Magnolia Ballroom  
7 p.m. Campus Outreach: 180, Peabody Auditorium  
7 p.m. Wesley House, MSU Lounge  
8:30 p.m. International Club Meeting, A&S 2-72

### Thursday, September 14

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Art Exhibit: Researched- Michael Marks, The Museum at GCSU on 221 N. Clarke St.  
5 p.m. What Does Liberation Look Like?: A Comparison of the American and Chinese Movements to Liberate Women, Museum Education Room  
8 p.m. - 10 p.m. Live Concert and Dance with MaCuba, Front Campus

Where are you living  
on campus?



### Next Week

How do you feel about the new Facebook?  
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## Public Safety Report

### Students faint after blood drive

On Aug. 30, Officer English was sent to Arts and Sciences in regards to a female student fainting. The student refused to seek additional help at the hospital but agreed to report to Health Services. The young woman had apparently given blood earlier in the day and that is why she fainted. Officers were then called to The Grill located by the MSU Lounge on campus in regards to another student who had fainted after donating blood

lady's breath. When asked if she had been drinking, she reported she hadn't and that one of her friends had spilled beer on her earlier in the night. The driver tested positive for alcohol when given a breathalyzer. She was then arrested and charged with underage possession of alcohol. The vehicle was left on the scene and the passenger was then picked up by her mother.

### Hit the books, not the floor

On Sept. 1, Officer Campbell was dispatched to Herty Hall when a female student reportedly passed out and fell out of her chair. The student refused treatment by EMS and then left class under her own power.

### Vehicle statistics for the week of Aug. 28 through Sept. 3

Total registered vehicles – 3304

Students – 2876

Employees – 428

Citations issued for this week – 121

Employees – 8

Students – 113

98% of all tickets written were for "out of zone / no permit."

### Shuttle passenger loads since Aug. 16

22,288 Bobcat shuttle

9,043 Main Campus shuttle

Total 31,331 for Aug. 2006 compared to 24,710 in Aug. 2005

Information compiled by Aubrey Koscelski,  
with statistics provided by Greg Brown,  
Manager of the Department of Parking and  
Transportation

## ••Now Hear This••

Students, Faculty, & Staff who park at GCSU

I have been asked by senior campus officials to reiterate the parking policies as they apply to campus personnel and their visitors. Let me first direct you to our website [www.gcsu.edu/parking](http://www.gcsu.edu/parking) to view all the information regarding parking directives. In summary you can avoid parking violations and fines by following these simple rules:

1. Park only in those areas authorized by your permit. They are color and letter-coded with signs at the entrances to all the parking lots utilized by GCSU. (Remember anyone with a valid GCSU permit may park in Perimeter lots.)
2. Reserved, Service Vehicle, Handicap, and Mail spaces are specifically designated for those vehicles with the appropriate tag or markings. Unauthorized vehicles parked in these spaces are subject to immediate towing without notification.
3. Display your hangtag anytime your vehicle is parked in a GCSU space.
4. Pick up your valid hangtag; all temporary online permits have expired.
5. Visitor slots are limited to 30 minute business use unless a valid Visitor Permit is displayed and has been coordinated with the Parking & Transportation Office.

As some of you have already noticed, the rules are being aggressively enforced. Warnings were issued for the first 14 days of classes to give everyone a chance to learn and adjust to the new parking plan. Over 350 warnings were issued for improper parking. That time has expired and warnings are now a rare exception in lieu of a citation. We welcome constructive input and possible solutions to identified problems. Feel free to contact me with your concerns.

Greg Brown, Manager of the Department of Parking and Transportation

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Photo by Shelly Watson  
"The Man Who Came to Dinner" was held at Russell Auditorium from Aug. 31 to Sept. 3.

## Community, GCSU come together for dinner

BY Renato Oliveira

Most people have had an extremely aggravating guest at their house who outstays their welcome. This is what Moss Hart and George Kaufman's "The Man Who Came to Dinner" is all about.

The Milledgeville Players and the GCSU Department of Music and Theatre presented the comedy this past weekend. Directed by Amy Burt (Department of English, Speech, and Journalism), this comical play was presented through Aug. 31 to Sept. 2, at 7 p.m. in Russell Auditorium. On Sunday, Sept 3, the play was presented at 2 p.m. at the same location.

The story begins when

Sheridan Whiteside (played by Dr. Tom Toney of the Department of Biological and Environmental Sciences), a broadcast journalist in New York City, injures his hip by falling down the doorsteps of the Stanley's household.

Mr. Whiteside, with his constant bad mood and ironic sense of humor, decides to come back for a "sympathetic" visit, promising to sue the Stanley's for \$150, 000, based on his injury at their house. Mr. Whiteside then proceeds to drive his unwitting hosts insane by bringing unusual guests such as an insect expert, an octopus, 22 Chinese students and a penquin breeder.

The setting of the play was very simple - a living

room with a large white sofa, framed pictures on the wall, a couple of wooden chairs and a constantly ringing telephone.

"The Man Who Came to Dinner" featured for 19 actors, including some GCSU students and faculty. Besides Dr. Toney (Mr. Whiteside), other faculty members were involved in the play, including Spanish professor Anisio Santos.

"Despite the fact that we started the rehearsals in the beginning of August, I was very nervous, especially on the first day," Santos said. "This was only the second play I was in and I intend to keep on doing some acting. It is fun."

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## GCSU Art of the Week

Untitled by Will Godfrey



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## Oconee River offers warm weather fun

BY Brian Farrell

A peaceful calm engulfed the lazy river as the daylight began to fade into the horizon below the tree line. Gar surfaced beneath the bows of the kayaks and then dispersed with a mighty tail wag creating a wake below the water's surface. A disgruntled beaver splashed in the bend upstream disturbing the sanctity of the rippling water. There is little to complain about on the Oconee River.

"I love it," said GCSU student Jamie Horton. "It's just a good place to relieve stress and relax your mind."

For residents of Milledgeville and the surrounding areas, the Oconee provides various summer-time excuses to ditch work or school such as swimming, kayaking, canoeing and fishing. The two main stretches of river in Milledgeville run from the tailrace off Sinclair Dam Rd. to the river bridge under Hwy. 22, and from the river bridge down to the state boat ramp located near Rivers Prison

As we made our way down past the old railroad bridge a man and his wife waved to us from their storefront property.

"Would you boys like a cold beer?" he asked.

Not needing to think that

one over, my friend and I rowed to shore to cordially accept his offer. (State law permits consumption of alcohol on the water as long as you're under a .07.)

The couple introduced themselves as Raymond and Kelly Grimes and then chatted with us for the time it took to drink one of the coldest beers I have ever tasted. "We've picked up many a tuber from right here and taken them down to their cars at the river bridge or let them use the phone," said Grimes.

While students have been spotted in nearly every imaginable type of floating vessel, the combination of distance between boat ramps and the lack of flow of the river does not allow travelers to simply float down; at least not in any kind of sensible time span. Summer water levels have risen recently but the water is still one to two feet deep in many areas, making it nearly impossible to navigate by motorboat.

This has made for an excellent opportunity to fish without traffic, swim without fear or simply admire the scenery by canoe or kayak. Canoes and kayaks can be bought new or used from various retailers in Milledgeville or rented from local outfitters for about \$30 a day.

Because of the water

levels, the best route to run on the river is from the river bridge down to the state boat ramp," said Fishing Creek Outfitters employee Hunter Morgan.

"The water tends to be at its highest a few hours before dark, and it should take about two hours from start to finish depending on how hard you paddle. I'll have to admit, fishing with a rod and reel on the river is a challenge; the most successful people just tie out limb lines with live bream as bait and check them periodically. However, there are plenty of gar and carp if you enjoy bowfishing," said Morgan.

We rounded the final bend and glided through the last stretch of still water toward the headlights on the end of the boat ramp just ahead. We loaded up the two kayaks into the back of the station wagon and crammed into the front for the short but very uncomfortable ride home. As the kayak behind me disrupted the curvature of my spine, I thought about how much everyone else was missing out. Time wasted on the river was time well spent.

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Photo special to The Colonnade  
GCSU students paddling on the Oconee. Students use all kinds of craft to float down the river.

## Downtown Milledgeville gets a taste of Latino Flavor

BY Aubrey Koscelski

Nestled into the downtown strip, where the Watering Hole once stood, is a new quaint family-owned restaurant called Latino Flavor. The restaurant offers traditional Latin American favorites such as stewed chicken, oven roasted pork, stewed pork chops, sautéed steak, and your choice of rice and beans.

But, how close to authentic Latin American food does Latino Flavor come? Well, if you are brave enough to stay and eat once the buffet line is revealed, you'll find out.

Jonathan Ewing, Biology graduate student, ate at Latino Flavor shortly after it opened.

"The stewed pork chops that I ordered were actually the better part of the meal," Ewing said. "The rice was undercooked and old."

Beside hearty portions, Latino Flavor also offers soups and salad along with an assortment of desserts, which include their daily special fritters.



Former GCSU Psychology major, John Stapleton, dared to venture over to the restaurant with some friends to enjoy dinner followed by dessert.

"They need to be more detailed on the menu," Stapleton said. "I ordered a banana fritter and got banana and ground beef in it."

Although some have had their own complaints about the restaurant, there are others who have enjoyed their dining experience there and who would pay to eat there again.

Marcos Colon, 2006 biology and Spanish graduate of GCSU, gave Latino Flavor high reviews after eating there for lunch.

"For being such a new

restaurant I felt as though the food and atmosphere was quite appetizing," said Colon. "I will definitely eat there again and hopefully more people will as the word spreads that they are open."

If you are curious as to how the interior appears, remember what the Watering Hole looked like? Then you need not be curious any longer. Latino Flavor is a mirror image of what the Watering Hole used to be, using the same chairs, stools, booths and bar area that was there before. The only difference is the style of food, the fact that there is no full bar and

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## Fitness Brief



BY Devin Vernick

From freshman year to graduation, many college students are left baffled by what began as a once trim and fit body that has acquired the seemingly unavoidable friend known only as the infamous, beer belly.

Typical college students agree that personal health and well-being are important to them, and that to achieve this would include exercise and a somewhat healthy diet. Except for that six-pack yesterday, and the keg-party the Thursday night before. You know the drill.

Be warned. The excess consumption of alcohol in one's diet can hamper fitness goals, and hide those seemingly hard earned abs.

A common misconception about alcohol consumption is that weight gain is caused by the sheer amount of calories in alcoholic beverages, but studies show otherwise.

According to one study released by the University

of Lausanne, in Switzerland, alcohol consumption inhibits the body's ability to burn calories.

Paolo Suter, one of the Lausanne's interns who conducted the study, found that alcohol most likely slows down the body's fat metabolism because the liver, which normally burns fat, is too busy processing the booze, thus inhibiting it to burn any fat for energy.

For individuals who train themselves more seriously, excess alcohol in one's diet disrupts proper sleeping patterns, causes dehydration, and can increase fatigue. All of these are of no benefit to the body and hampers those physical goals that have been set for the school year.

Marka Smith, a junior Biology major at GCSU, felt that excess alcohol was affecting his ability to maintain good physical health.

"You can feel the difference. If you drink a lot, you sweat sooner and more profusely. You feel fatigued quickly."

"Freshman year I drank all the time and when I worked out I had no energy," Smith said. "I have cut back since freshman year and there is a noticeable difference. I feel better, and I have more energy. I'm happy with the decision to drink less."

## Students get "Stumped" at Blackbridge Hall Gallery



Photo by Tony Ransom

Beth Lanier looks at "Stumped," an art exhibit at Blackbridge Hall. The exhibit will be on display until September 15.

BY Kaleigh Alcarez

Those who have not been by Blackbridge Hall Gallery lately may be missing out. STUMPED: by Sally Heller is now on display. Senior Art Major Megan McCurley brought Heller to Georgia College and serves as curator for the exhibit as part of her senior project. McCurley chose Heller after meeting her in summer of 2005.

Heller, a New Orleans native, earned her bachelor of science degree in painting from the University of Wisconsin. She later went on to pursue a master of fine arts in painting at the Virginia Commonwealth University before returning

to New Orleans.

In her exhibit at the Blackbridge Hall Gallery, Heller chose to create a forest within the museum. Everything is crafted out of man-made materials; pipe cleaners, plastic wrap, and clothespins are among the items that take the frame of various organic shapes. A flowerbed made of wire hangers and buttons is displayed beside a wall-to-wall spider web. In the main room, a massive tree stands tall and covers much of the available space.

Impossible to ignore, the project provokes the audience to consider the irony of organic structures composed of synthetic materials.

One visitor to the

gallery, Senior Art History Major Katie Harmon, had a chance to work with the artist and had an interesting interpretation of her own.

After viewing the jumbled representation of nature and knowing that the artist resides in New Orleans, Harmon felt that maybe Heller was portraying Hurricane Katrina aftermath. When Harmon asked if this was true, Heller denied that the work has anything to do with Hurricane Katrina. Still, Harmon felt that it could have been "subconscious art and maybe she didn't realize it." Even if it wasn't Hurricane Katrina, Harmon viewed the art as if "something big happened and this is what was left."

This exhibit is full of life and energy that can only be understood once seen.

Freshman business major Amber Ivie observed the display and stated, "I like all of the bright colors. It made me think of when I was a child...it's like being in a daydream."

Heller's full-scale installation can be seen Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. until Sept. 15. For information and questions, please contact the Art Department at (478) 445-4572. For your own interpretation and view of the exhibit, take a walk with an open mind to the Blackbridge Hall Gallery to get a little STUMPED.

## Restaurant:

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that no bands will be performing at Latino Flavor.

They also offer a 10 percent discount off the total purchase when GCSU students present a valid I.D.

Latino Flavor operates as a buffet during the day and a sit down restaurant at night. It is open seven days a week Sunday to Wednesday from 11 a.m. to

9 p.m. and Thursday to Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. They are also trying to attract a late night bar crowd serving bottled beer such as Budweiser, Bud Light, Michelob Ultra and Michelob Light for \$2.00.

Although this restaurant may be making a slow start when having to compete with other known restaurants downtown, they will hopefully get their feet off the ground soon and have customers coming back for more.

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## Play:

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Lindsay Bailey, Kari Waters, Chris Cowan, and Brett Chatham were students who participated in this production. Other faculty and staff members included Amy Harrington, Evelyn Palm, David Wells, Emily Prather, Iona Pendergast and Jan Hoffman all playing roles that showcased their English accent skills.

"I came here mainly to see my Communication Society Professor, Dr. Hoffman (Harriet Stanley)," said sophomore management major Marjorie Ceppo. "She played a hilarious character and I was surprised with her acting skills."

The majority of the audi-

ences at Russell Auditorium were people of age ranging between 35-65 years old, but some students showed up as well.

"These actors showed some really good acting skills. They are really tal-

ented and funny," said Marcelo Ferreira, a health promotion graduate student. "I like the idea of having plays here in our school. Theatre is great culture and also something other than the usual to do."

Up next for the community theatre is the play "Psychopathia Sexualis", by John Patrick Shanley, and will be shown from Sept. 27 to 30, at 8 p.m., and Oct. 1 at 2 p.m., in Russell Auditorium.



"The Man Who Came To Dinner" featured faculty, staff and student actors.

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# SPORTS

## The Sports Guy

By Wes Brown



*Basketball is the most promising sport*

Mike Dikta, former professional football coach, once said, "Success is about having, excellence is about being. Success is about having money and fame, but excellence is being the best you can be."

In regards to GCSU athletics and success, basketball is the most promising sport for athletes. GCSU basketball players claim the most fame and fortune when they graduate.

Basketball players who are prime examples of this are 2000 alum Julius Joseph and recent alum Jeremy Mayweather.

While at GCSU, Joseph was a two-time All-Peach Belt Conference and All-Region selection, and in 2000 he was the first GCSU men's basketball player to earn NCAA All-American honors.

When Joseph graduated he immediately began playing in the British Basketball League (BBL) and became known as one of the top three-point shooters in the league, hitting 43.7 percent from long range. He also led the Scottish Rocks in scoring with 18.7 points per game. He recently signed a one-year deal to return to the Rocks and is on tour with the Great Britain national side for the European Championships.

Another star product of GCSU basketball is 2005 alum Jeremy Mayweather. At GCSU, Mayweather received several honors, including Peach Belt Conference Player of the Year, All-American honors and was also selected to play in the first NCAA Division II All-Star game.

Mayweather averaged 14.6 points and a league-leading 8.8 rebounds per game in 2005.

After he graduated, Mayweather, signed to play with the Spoon River Bears of the Finnish Basketball Association.

Although other sports at GCSU produce highly successful athletes, basketball seems to turn out the most successful athletes in terms of fame and fortune.

If you have any comments please send a response to colonnade-sports@gcsu.edu.

## The Short Stop

### Next Issue:

The Colonnade previews the upcoming intramural flag football season.

Junior Richard Dobson was named the Peach Belt Conference Men's Cross Country Runner of the Week.

The women's basketball team gets a new assistant coach.

## Lady Bobcats continue record pace

BY Brooke Williams

Anyone who has kept up with the Lady Bobcats soccer team since their first season in 2004 knows the incredible, record-breaking growth the team has seen in such a short amount of time.

Those of who aren't quite as familiar with their success might want to start paying attention because the Lady Bobcats are breaking more records and the 2006 season is only just beginning.

The Lady Bobcats ended the 2005 season with a 9-6-2 record overall, earning them their first winning season, and finished 3-3-1 in the Peach Belt Conference, which ranked them sixth out of 10 teams in the conference.

But, it was also the last season for a couple of the team's more experienced veteran players, such as goalkeeper Michelle Parr and forward Tami Pissot.

While head coach Robert Parr acknowledges the loss of some great assets to the team, he is very confident, not only in his returning players, but also in the new players that are embarking on their first season at GCSU.

"Right now we feel like we are in pretty good shape; our goalkeepers are young and everything is coming along quite nicely. Certainly Michelle has been an important player for us but we're not nervous about it," Parr said.

He also points out a few new players such as freshman Jamie Nevin, a forward who he feels has the



Photo by Will Godfrey  
Sophomore Hayley Ferrell practices at Bobcat Field to prepare for the week's games. She practices using level eight of the beep drill. The beep drill is a running drill created by the United States Women's Soccer team.

ability and skills to be a leading scorer. Nevin, along with the rest of the team, is already proving to be a strong force in the first couple games of the new season.

After a disheartening loss in their season opener

against Belmont Abbey, the Lady Bobcats redeemed themselves with a 1-0 victory over Saint Andrews Presbyterian College. Now, with the team's most recent 8-0 win against Erskine College last Thursday night, they have earned a

second straight shut-out and also set a new record for most goals scored in a match.

Senior midfielder Meredith Moran was ecstatic about the team's latest victory.

"Everyone played so

well and the whole team was into the game, even the bench; everyone was cheering."

The Lady Bobcats have worked hard in the preseasson to strengthen their weak areas so they can keep moving forward, and so far it appears they are on the right track. Coach Parr has many goals set this year and is confident that his team will move forward.

Moran cites winning the Peach Belt Conference as one of her team goals for the season. The preseasson Peach Belt predictions ranked GCSU as seventh, one spot down from last season, but Parr has put the predicted rankings and the new season into perspective.

"What you find with preseasson rankings is that coaches will generally vote you in pretty close to what you finished the year before," Parr said. "It's really difficult to assess how other teams are going to be. The other thing, I think, is that it takes a while in this sport, most of the time, for a team to really advance and so if you want to change where you are, you have to work extremely hard for a long period of time. And I think we have been doing that; I think that will show. But the rankings really reflect the history and not the future. The only way to change our ranking in the future is to have a better finish this year."

The Lady Bobcats will play their first team in the Peach Belt Conference, USC Aiken, on Sept. 8, at Bobcat Field.

## Mayweather goes coastal to play professional ball

BY Jason Hughes

After graduating from GCSU, forward Jeremy Mayweather might have felt he needed a change in attitude and in latitude when he signed with Kauhajoki (Trans: Spoon River Bears) of Finland's 1st Division Basketball League.

After a tremendous senior season, helping the Bobcats to the Division II Sweet Sixteen, Mayweather was named Player of the Year for the Peach Belt Conference, he was an honorable mention for All-American and he was selected to play on the NABC Division II All-Star Team.

According to Head GCSU Basketball Coach Terry Sellers, none of his honors went unnoticed, "The All-Star game got him some good exposure, his name started to circulate... we sent out a lot of tape overseas and in Europe and this was a team that liked what they saw and things worked out for him," said Sellers.

Mayweather left on Wednesday, Aug. 23, bound for Finland.

"It's nice, one, because it's a chance for him to play professional basketball somewhere, and, at the very least, it lets a few other people around the world know who we are," said GCSU Sports Information Director Brad Muller about the implications of Mayweather playing overseas.

Aside from the language barrier Mayweather will have to adjust to a new culture, a new climate and a new time zone

to become successful.

"I think the biggest problem for him adjusting will be being homesick and playing a lot more games. In college basketball you play 27 regular season games then the postseason, when you get to the professional level, most likely you're playing every other night, as many as 80 games in a season," said Muller. "It's a lot more wear and tear on the body."

"It's cool and it's encouraging because Jeremy gets to have that experience... me and some of the other guys coming up, we get to kinda learn from his experiences and talk to him... because playing over seas is something that a lot of us would like to do," said junior center Aaron Clark.

Coach Sellers talked to Mayweather recently, "He said every thing is going great... the food was good, he was enjoying it, and he had already played in one game with 23 baskets, 8 rebounds, and 2 blocks," Sellers said.

Mayweather's team, Kauhajoki, is currently 19-7 and in 3rd place in the 1st Division standings.

Mayweather is the first basketball player from GCSU to play professionally in Finland, but he is not the first to play overseas. Julius Joseph ('00) currently plays in the British Basketball League for the Scottish Rocks where he led the team in scoring last year. GCSU also has alumni playing in Ireland and Israel.



Photo by Will Godfrey  
Jeremy Mayweather heads to Finland to play for the Spoon River Bears. Mayweather averaged 14.6 points and a league-leading 8.8 rebounds per game as a bobcat.

### Key Games:

#### Women's Soccer:

Fri. 7 p.m. USC Aiken\*

Wed. 7 p.m. Lander\*

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Kiawah Island Invitational

\* denotes PBC games

### Quote of the Issue:

What counts in sports is not the victory, but the magnificence of the struggle.

-- Joe Paterno

### Stat of the week:

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The Women's Soccer team set a new school record for goals in a match with an 8-0 victory over Erskine College last Thursday night at Bobcat Field.

# Ultimate Frisbee club flies high with nations top ranked schools

BY Katie Huston

If you think Ultimate Frisbee is just about a group of sweaty guys and gals tossing around a plastic disc, think again.

It's really about competition, camaraderie and a laid back atmosphere. "It's a great group of people," Chris Voellinger said.

Voellinger is the president of GCSU's Ultimate Frisbee Club and he has a very realistic goal for the upcoming spring season.

"To go to nationals would be a far-fetched goal. Our goal is regionals," he said.

Right now, that goal is within reach.

GCSU is currently ranked eighth in its region, which consists of 20 schools from Georgia, South Carolina, and Tennessee. Of the 20 teams, eight go on to regionals.

Doug Oetter, the club's faculty advisor has been playing Frisbee for 27 years. Oetter stays busy teaching classes and advising the Environmental Science Club, but he still finds time to stay involved with the Ultimate club. "When I came down here, I really wanted to be a part of the Ultimate Frisbee scene," said Oetter.

The club, which is in its fourth season has a men's

team, which had 10 members last season, and a women's team which had 9 members last season. This year, Voellinger hopes to expand the men's team to 20-25 members. The women's team also hopes to recruit more members this fall and next spring.

"We'll run hard," he said. "We will take anyone willing to work. The basketball team doesn't just go play; they practice."

Jared Main, a freshman who enjoys Ultimate, said he knows the school has an Ultimate club and would not mind getting involved.

"I think it's really cool

because we don't have a

football team or anything,"

Main said. "It's something

to do."

So what's the deal with

Ultimate Frisbee?

Basically, each game takes

about an hour and 15 minutes

to complete and is generally

played to 15.

In order to score, a team

must advance the disc

toward its end zone.

What's so "ultimate"

about it? Voellinger calls it

a new theory of sports. It is

a mix of basketball, soccer

and even some elements of

football.

"I mean, anyone can

tackle, but this is about

going as hard as you can

and as clean as you can,"

Voellinger said. "Ultimate

takes dedication." A typical

practice consists of a combination of throwing and running drills, and playing pick-up games; not just throwing the disc.

One motivating factor that gets a lot of Ultimate players hooked on the game is the tournaments.

"We go to these tournaments and it's like a giant camping trip," said Voellinger. "It's a balance between being competitive and having a great time."

At tournaments, after playing competitively all day long, the players from all the different teams come together and "basically just chill."

Many Ultimate players develop a strong loyalty to the sport.

"Lot's of people don't think it's fun," said Voellinger. "If you like to play sports and exercise; it's great exercise."

Unlike other sports, Ultimate does not use referees. These players are not out there to win by any means necessary, and players work out all disputes on their own.

It's really all about a mentality Ultimate players share. "It's a fierce game, but it's about being fair and chill, no arguing. I mean, we're not all out there wearing Polo shirts," said Voellinger. "I don't know what else to say. It's about the spirit of the game."



Photo by Brittany Thomas  
Paul Haskle (left) and Michael Bui (right) fight for control of the flying disc in a Frisbee Club scrimmage game at Bobcat Village.

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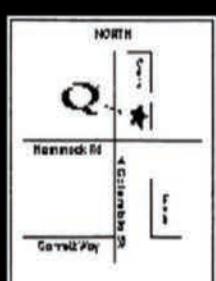
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